

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

JOINT BASE MYER-HENDERSON HALL HEADQUARTERS COMMAND BATTALION 239 SHERIDAN AVE, BLDG 417 FORT MYER, VIRGINIA 22211-1199

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MEMORANDUM FOR all Soldiers Assigned and Attached to Headquarters Command Battalion, Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, VA 22211-1199

SUBJECT: Withholding Article 15 Authority - Policy Memorandum #7

- 1. Under the provisions of AR 27-10, paragraph 3-7(d), the undersigned hereby withholds the authority of subordinate commanders to administer non-judicial punishment Article 15, in all cases involving Soldiers in the rank of Sergeant (E-5) and above who are suspected of illicit or prescription drug related offenses.
- 2. In cases where it appears that nothing more than punishment under Article 15 is warranted, the company commander, after consulting with the trial counsel, will gather all relevant documentation and may forward it to the battalion commander with recommendation as to the nature or extent of punishment. If the company commander feels that a court-martial is warranted, the case will be forwarded IAW Rules for Courts-Martial 401(c)(2)(a).
- 3. In accordance with AR 600-85 paragraph 10-6, any company commanders made aware of a Soldier's illegal drug use will initiate separation proceedings pursuant to AR 635-200.
- 4. The point of contact for this memorandum is the undersigned and can be contacted at (703) 696-2974.

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